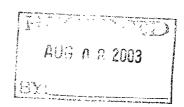


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August 1, 2003



Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter will serve as a 30-day notification pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act of 1994 that NBTY Inc. is using the following statements on our Gelatin supplements under the Radiance label:

- Supports the Beauty of Nails
- Gelatin is one of the raw materials for collagen, the building block for strong, healthy nails.
- As a supplement, Gelatin supports the beauty of your nails.

The above statements are accompanied by the required disclaimer pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act.

Sincerely,

Joanne DeCandia, MS, RD
Director of Nutrition Communications

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